

RESOLUTION NO. 12-186

WHEREAS, the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, are apprised that a distinguished citizen, Marion Barley Hall, will be recognized for her dedicated service and commitment to volunteerism in the Huntsville-Madison County community during the Rosetta James Annual "2012 Honoring Our Elders" Celebration to be held at the Ernest L. Knight Reception Center on the beautiful campus of Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University (Alabama A&M) on March 10, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, Marion was born in Madison County, Alabama, to the late Daniel and Orell Draper Barley. She graduated from Councill Training High School in 1954. Upon completion of high school, she enrolled at Alabama A&M University, where she was an active member of the Marching Band (1954-1955). She also received a business school-business education certificate from Manpower in 1963. She was later employed by Marshall Space Flight Center where she served as a Documentation Analyst for over eighteen years. She and her husband of 56 years, Richard Hall, are the proud parents of two adult children, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren; and,

WHEREAS, a lifelong member of Center Grove United Methodist Church, Marion has served in various ministry areas, a few include Chancel Choir member, president of United Methodist Women, chairperson and co-chairperson of the Harvest Committee, chairperson of King's Care, chairperson of Stewardship, member of the Finance Committee, and chairperson of Burns-Northside. In 1978, she established the first annual Mother-Daughter Luncheon at Center Grove United Methodist Church; and,

WHEREAS, Marion has also served in various civic organizations including: Member, Elk Lodge #977 (Daughter of Elk); member, Corner's Homemaker and Community Club; member, American Business Women Association (ABWA); member, Red Hatters (Hill Top-Rough Chapeaux); and member, Eta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, Marion took upon the role of primary caregiver for her mother and father during their latter years. Her greatest joy in life is caring for the sick and underprivileged, and her adopted motto is, "Let My Work Speak For Me." Her work has spoken, and is still speaking for her through the tireless care she has given and continues to give to her family and friends. In her home, she has cared extensively for relatives and other loved ones for a combined span of decades.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council and Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, gratefully acknowledge and congratulate Marion Barley Hall for being selected as a recipient of the 2012 Rosetta James "Honoring Our Elders" Celebration and extend best wishes to her and the Board of Directors of the Rosetta James Foundation for continued success in all future endeavors.

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ADOPTED this the 8th day of March, 2012.

President of the City Council of the
City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 8th day of March, 2012.

Mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama